



NOW, MASTER,  
YOU MAY LET YOUR SERVANT GO IN PEACE,  
ACCORDING TO YOUR WORD,  
FOR MY EYES HAVE SEEN YOUR SALVATION.

LUKE 2:29-30

# THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

## FEBRUARY 2, 2020

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Today's readings reflect on something close to the heart of every human person: the fulfillment of our deepest desires. Without exception, each of us feels unfulfilled in some way. Despite advances in law, technology, and medicine, every person experiences the frustration of "not yet" or "not enough." Our hearts always want more.

God plants this desire in our hearts. God knows how we ache. What most of us fail to believe, deep down, is that God alone satisfies all our longing. We know, theoretically, that the Creator of the universe provides everything we need, but we could all use more quality time with God to consider the question, "What exactly do I need to be happy, Lord?" Perhaps we can spend more time in prayer and service, asking the Lord to show us what is truly important in life.

### ALWAYS READY FOR JESUS

We often think, "Once I get *this*, or once *that* happens, then I will be happy." But the Gospel shows a better way. All four adults in today's Gospel long deeply for the Messiah and

"the consolation of Israel" he will bring. Human temptation might obsess over the promise of future peace and prosperity, leaving only anxiety and resentment for present suffering. But Mary, Joseph, Simeon, and Anna leave the saving of the world to God; for their part, they focus on Jesus. Each of them keeps busy with daily details of the various lifestyles they have chosen. Mary and Joseph concern themselves with raising a family, while Simeon and Anna dedicate their lives to prayer in the temple. They find peace enough in fulfilling the obligations of their stations in life, maintaining a lively prayer life to be attentive to God's action in the world. In today's Gospel, their focus is literally and spiritually on Jesus. They model for us how to be happy and holy: performing their daily duties peacefully, always ready to recognize Jesus as he reveals himself.

Today's Readings: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]

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# Notes from Fr. Bob Bacik

**Bible Study:** A new bible study course will begin on Thursday, February 13 and run through April 2, 2020. Course Title: "Follow Me— Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John." Information on how to register can be found in the small hall.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Eucharistic Adoration is a form of prayer in which Jesus is adored in the presence of the Holy Eucharist. The Eucharist is displayed in a special holder called a monstrance and people come to simply be with the Lord in silent prayer. We have begun to offer Eucharistic Adoration on Wednesday evenings from 7pm - 9pm in the chapel. Benediction will take place at 8:50 pm. It is custom to make a "holy hour" by spending a whole hour in adoration, but it is also fitting and beneficial to drop in for a few minutes of quiet time with Jesus.

## **Wednesday Evenings at St. Isidore:**

Confession- 5:15-6:15 pm

Holy Mass - 6:30 pm

Adoration - 7:00 - 9:00 pm

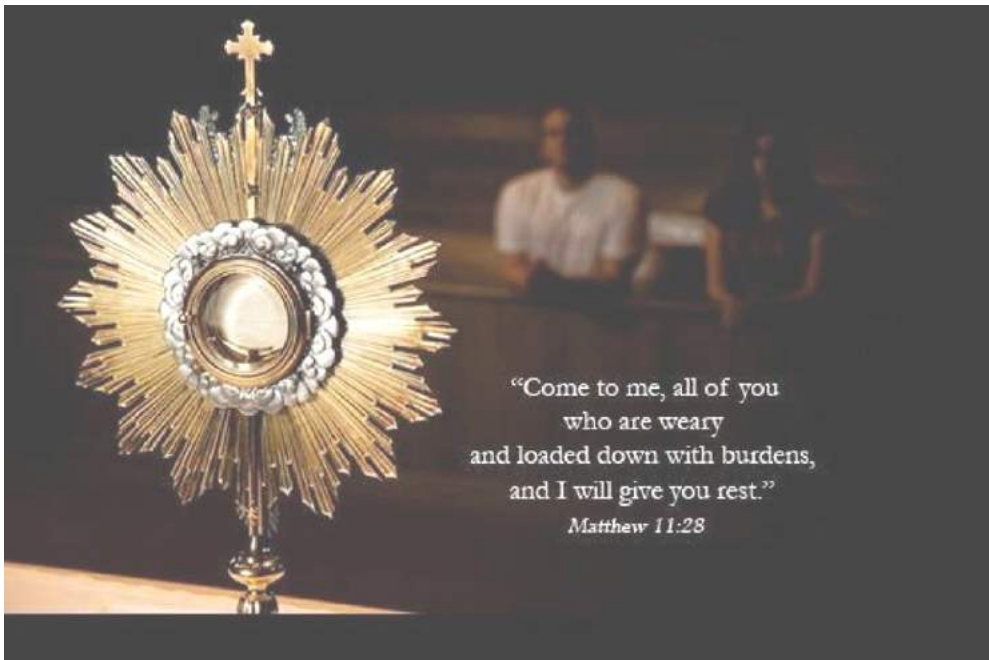
Benediction 8:50 pm

**Contribution Statements:** Letters that reflect your financial contributions for the 2019 calendar year are now available. **Please take yours home and review it.** These statements may be used for tax purposes and also to review our annual commitment to financial stewardship. Thank you for your commitment to our parish and the work of the Lord that we have been entrusted with.

We did experience some computer issues in the printing of these reports. If you notice any discrepancies in our accounting we ask that you please notify the office. We intend to begin the process of switching to a new financial software program in the next calendar year.

Have a blessed and holy week!

Fr. Bob



## **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Wednesday Evenings

Holy Mass 6:30 pm

Adoration 7:00—9:00 pm

Benediction 8:50 pm



## **BIBLE STUDY**

**THURSDAYS**

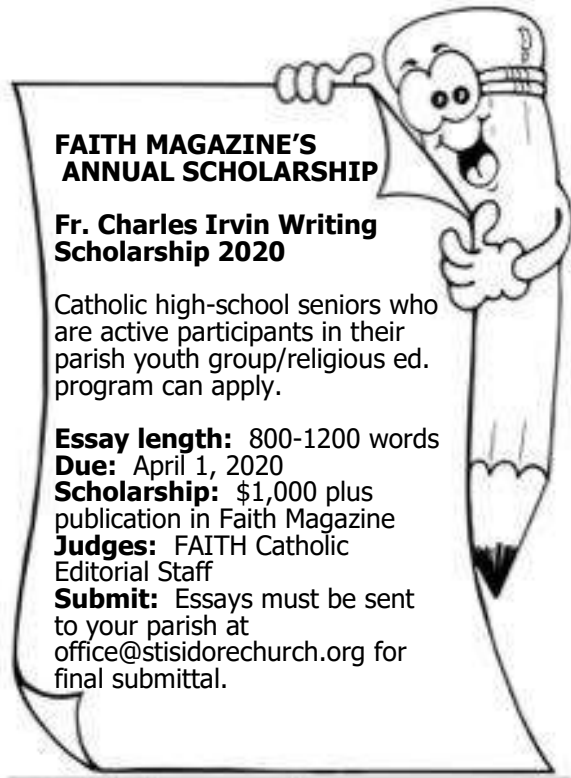
**FEBRUARY 13—APRIL 2**

**7:00—8:30 PM**

**Registration in Small Hall**

## PARISH WIDE

Feb. 3—Movie Night @ Holy Family - 6:00 pm  
Feb. 5—Eucharistic Adoration - 7:00—9:00 pm  
Feb. 10 — Mitten Making— 9 am to 2 pm Large Hall



### **FAITH MAGAZINE'S ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP**

#### **Fr. Charles Irvin Writing Scholarship 2020**

Catholic high-school seniors who are active participants in their parish youth group/religious ed. program can apply.

**Essay length:** 800-1200 words

**Due:** April 1, 2020

**Scholarship:** \$1,000 plus publication in Faith Magazine

**Judges:** FAITH Catholic Editorial Staff

**Submit:** Essays must be sent to your parish at [office@stsidorechurch.org](mailto:office@stsidorechurch.org) for final submittal.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMATION (REF)

Sundays—10:15 AM—11:15 AM

Feb. 2—REF Classes  
Feb. 9—REF Classes

Sign up for **REMINd** to receive all notifications for REF. Go to

<https://www.remind.com/join/stsidorer>

Sign up to receive notices via text or email.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Feb. 12—Business Meeting— 7:00 pm

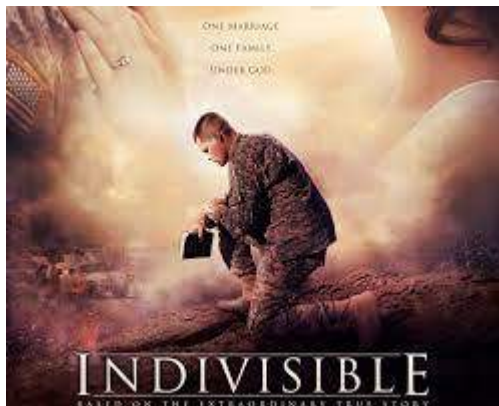
**Knight of the Month:** Tom Mahoney  
**Family of the Month:** Ernie & Jenny West



## **MOVIE NIGHT**

Feb. 3 - 6 pm

Holy Family will have the next Movie Night on Feb. 3rd, 6 pm. The February movie is "**Indivisible**". Based on the extraordinary true story of Army Chaplain Darren Turner and his wife Heather is one you won't want to miss. With a strong, faith-filled marriage, the Turners are ready to follow their calling: serving God, family, and country. Join us for this movie.



## **MITTENS FOR THE HOMELESS**

Monday, Feb. 10  
Large Hall—9 am to 2 pm

All ladies are welcome to join us. No sewing skills needed. We would welcome all the help we can get.

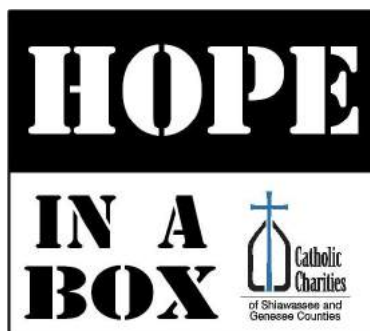
Always in need of Yarn, Sweaters, or money to buy supplies.



## MASS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

SATURDAY — February 1	5:30 PM	† Bonnie Wright by Steve & Mary Izdebski
SUNDAY — February 2	9:00 AM	† Katie Russell Walters by the Family
Monday	NO MASS	
Tuesday	NO MASS	
Wednesday	6:30 PM	† Carolyn Mahoney by Steve & Mary Izdebski
Thursday	8:30 AM	† Fr. Evan Harkins by Chris & Kay Basgall
Friday	8:30 AM	† Healing of Eunice Berland by Chris & Kay Basgall
SATURDAY — February 8	5:30 PM	† Anna Hurst by Doug & Rose Morrill
SUNDAY — February 9	9:00 AM	† Special Intentions of Chris & Kay Basgall

**PRAYERS: PLEASE PRAY FOR** MELVIN PAMMENT, - KEVIN PLATTE, OLIVER WASHINGTON, - GERRY PACE, - PAT SIMPSON, - RAY DOYLE, - KYLE WALLER, - JUDITH MARTELL (MOTHER OF TERESA PICKENS), - JIM (MAYO) HURST, - CHARLES OLENICZAK (BROTHER OF BARB WRIGHT), - BRUCE CHANDLER (BROTHER OF MARTI ROWLEY), - JIM OLENICZAK (BROTHER OF BARB WRIGHT), - ROSE MORRILL, - JULIE STONER (DAUGHTER OF GENE & BARB STONER), - FRANK LUNDIE, - JOHN MARTINEZ, (FRIEND OF JESSE ANGUIANO) - JANET ARTHUR, - PAM DELONG, - SUSAN DELONG, - THERESA HEEG, - LANA MIERSEN, - MARY STEIN, AGGIE CASSADY, - SHIRLEY GREENE, - MARY MAPES (MOTHER OF MIKE MAPES), - BILL DUSO, - TERESA KECK, (SISTER OF PHYLLIS HART & HELEN STELZER), - SHANNON HURST, - DENNY LEE, - DAVID OLENICZAK, - JEANNE OLENICZAK, - VERN WRIGHT, — DON ELLIOTT, - TONI DOYLE, - KEITH HURST, - MARY LOU DOYLE, - VIRGINIA BERNAL (COUSIN OF JESSE ANGUIANO), - DAWN WROBEL, - PEGGY ROUMPZ (FRIEND OF NANCY CLARK), - THERESA PICKLER (FRIEND OF JESSE ANGUIANO), - JULIE JUSTICE (GRANDDAUGHTER OF LARRY & DEBBIE EARL), - BERRY DECKER (JESSE ANGUIANO), - CHRISTIAN GARZA (DEPLOYED TO IRAQ, GRANDSON OF MARY STEIN), - DON NEGUS (SON OF MARY STEIN), - CHERYL HUTCHINGS



**HOPE**  
**IN A BOX**

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of Shiawassee and Genesee Counties



Need for the month of February  
Shampoo

<b>OFFERTORY</b>	
Jan. 25 & 26 2020	
78 Adult Envelopes	\$3,893
Loose Collection	\$361
Children's Offertory	\$32
18 ACH Electronic Offertory	\$1,430
<b>Total Weekly Offertory</b>	<b>\$5,716</b>



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SATURDAY 9AM-6PM  
FEB. 22, 2020  
DOOSTERBAAN FIELD HOUSE  
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MASS. ADORATION.  
DYNAMIC SPEAKERS.  
MUSIC. GREAT FOOD.

register now at  
[ACCEPTtheCHALLENGE.org](http://ACCEPTtheCHALLENGE.org)  
the first 150 active duty military and/or veterans to register are free

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**2020 Offertory Envelopes**

Please pick up your new 2020 offertory envelopes, if have not already. Available in the entryway to the church.

**All 2019 Contribution Reports are now available in the entryway to the church.**